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Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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Application Number	09/242,103-Conf. #9813
Filing Date	February 8, 1999
First Named Inventor	Jerome Asius
Art Unit	3738
Examiner Name	Paul B. Prebille
Attorney Docket No.	22114-00001-US


This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to a design application.

- Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114. Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
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 - ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - ☐ Other _____
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 - ☐ Amendment/Reply
 - ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - ☐ Other _____
- Miscellaneous
 - ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of a suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(f) required)
 - ☐ Other _____
- Fees

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

 - ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 22-0165
 - ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
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FEE TRANSMITTAL**for FY 2003**

Effective 6/01/2003, Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 750.00

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Large Entity Fee Code (1)	Small Entity Fee Code (2)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001 750	2001 375	Utility filing fee	
1002 530	2002 185	Design filing fee	
1003 520	2003 260	Plant filing fee	
1004 750	2004 375	Reissue filing fee	
1005 100	2005 80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)			0.00

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	..*		
Multiple Dependent	..*		

Large Entity Fee Code (1)	Small Entity Fee Code (2)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1202 18	2202 8	Claims in excess of 20	
1201 84	2201 42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203 290	2203 140	Multiple dependent claims. If not paid	
1204 84	2204 42	Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205 18	2205 8	Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
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FEE CALCULATION (continued)**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Large Entity Fee Code (1)	Small Entity Fee Code (2)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051 130	2051 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052 50	2052 26	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053 130	2053 130	Non-English specification	
1012 2,520	1012 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1004 020*	1004 020*	Requesting publication of SIIR prior to Examiner action	
1806 1,840*	1806 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIIR after Examiner action	
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252 410	2252 205	Extension for reply within second month	
1253 990	2253 495	Extension for reply within third month	
1254 1,450	2254 726	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1245 1,970	2245 985	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401 320	2401 160	Notice of Appeal	
1402 320	2402 160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403 260	2403 140	Request for oral hearing	
1451 1,510	1,510 P	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - Unavoidable	
1453 1,300	2453 650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501 1,300	2501 650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502 470	2502 236	Design issue fee	
1503 630	2503 315	Plant issue fee	
1460 130	1460 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807 50	1807 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i)	
1808 190	1808 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Sheet	
8021 40	8021 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (time number of properties)	
1809 750	2809 375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE) (37 CFR 1.129(e))	
1810 750	2810 375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801 750	2801 375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802 800	1802 800	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

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